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In re: Pu Zhou Confirmation No.: 9310
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Applicant hereby submits and requests consideration of the Amendment filed herewith. A one-month extension of time has been requested on the Fax Transmission Cover Letter, thus extending the period for response to January 21, 2006

As indicated on the Fax Transmission Cover Sheet, Applicants authorized the RCE fee (37 CFR §1.17(e)) in the amount of \$790.00 to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0413. Please charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.

Respectfully submitted,

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